

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1428
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POPULARITY OF UNANI SYSTEM OF MEDICINE
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of Unani hospitals/ dispensaries in the country, at present, State-wise;
- (b) whether some State Governments have requested to open more Unani dispensaries in their States;
- (c) if so, the action taken by the Union Government thereon; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to popularise Unani system of medicines in the country?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SMT. PANABAKA LAKSHMI)

(a) to (c) State-wise list of Unani hospitals and dispensaries as on 1.4.2006 is enclosed. Health is a State subject and it is for States to open dispensaries as per public health requirement.

(d) The Union Government have taken several steps to popularise AYUSH systems including Unani System of Medicine in the country which include grants-in-aid to the State Governments under centrally sponsored schemes for Development of Educational Institutions, Drug Testing Laboratories and Supply of AYUSH Drugs for hospitals and dispensaries. Besides this, AYUSH systems including Unani System of Medicine are also being promoted and propagated through audio-visual publicity and by organizing/ participating in fairs/exhibitions.